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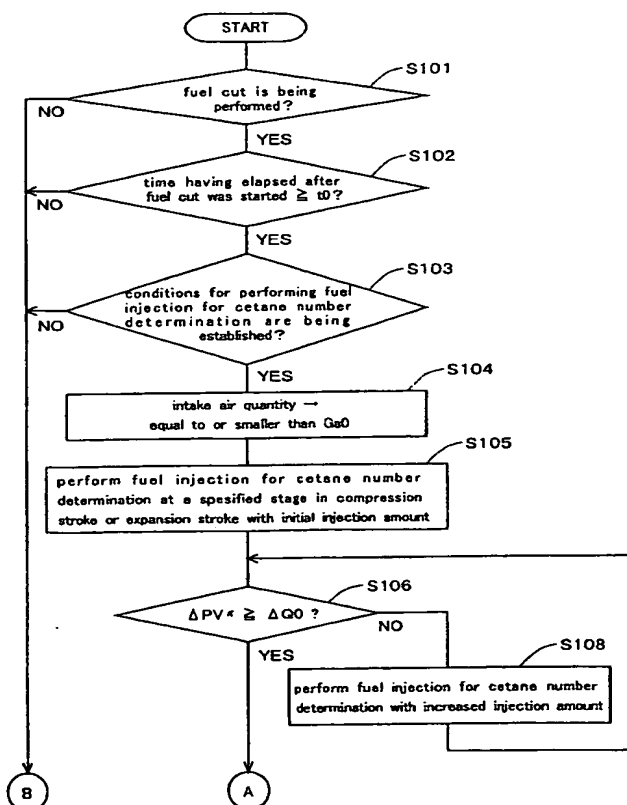
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(54) Title: METHOD OF DETERMINING CETANE NUMBER OF FUEL IN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE



(57) Abstract: An object of the present invention is to provide a technology that enables to determine the cetane number of fuel in a state in which it is actually used for running an internal combustion engine with an improved degree of accuracy. A fuel injection for cetane number determination in which a specified quantity of fuel is injected into a combustion chamber during a compression stroke or expansion stroke, is performed (S105) while the internal combustion engine is in a fuel cut state (S101). The cetane number of the fuel is determined based on the time period from a specified time to a time of ignition at which the fuel injected by the fuel injection for cetane number determination is ignited.



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